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Gary Peltier
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Richard Tobias

**ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 16, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

President Pro-Tem Dyke called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Pro-Tem Dyke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Love, Peltier, Steffler, Tobias, ~~Umphenour~~

Councilmembers Absent: Lauer, Schneider

Staff Present:	Village Manager	Michael Deem
	Clerk/Treasurer	Kimberly Keesler
	Police Chief	Pat Nael

Guests Present:	Mr. Tim Bush	
	Mr. Greg Grabill	Owner, Grabill Inc.
	Mrs. Teresa Grabill	Owner & CFO, Grabill Inc.
	3 Students	

COMMUNICATIONS

Included in the agenda packet was a letter from Village Attorney, Brian Garner addressing concerns Council had regarding the communication issue between Village staff and the law firm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes, September 2, 2014
2. Warrant #14-09-B Gen Ck #33140-33191, Equip EFT #48
3. DPW Activity Report
4. WWTP Report
5. Police Report
6. Payroll Report #84-85, Ck #15788-15801, DD #957-981, EFT #89

PUBLIC COMMENT

None



REGULAR AGENDA

1. Resolution No. 14-09-01 – Extension of Industrial Facilities Exemption for Grabill, Inc.

Village Manager Deem made a presentation regarding the request made by Grabill, Inc. to extend the Industrial Facilities Exemption for an additional five year. Mr. & Mrs. Grabill, owners of Grabill, Inc. were present to answer any questions Council had. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Tobias moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED**, to approve Resolution No. 14-09-01, Extension of Industrial Facilities Exemption for Grabill, Inc. the agenda.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Peltier, Steffler, Tobias, Dyke
Nays: Love
Abstain: None
Absent: Lauer, Schneider

2. Homecoming Officer Appointments

President Pro-Tem Dyke appointed Paul Bowman as Chairman, Michael Deem as Vice-Chairman, Gloria Howe as Secretary and Kimberly Keesler as Treasurer of the Homecoming Committee.

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to ratify President Pro-Tem Dyke's appointments as stated on the record.

3. Booster Station Bid Opening Update

Village Manager Deem made a presentation regarding the bid opening that was held on September 9, 2014 for the new Booster Station. The bids came in higher than expected and discussion was held as to how to reduce costs and options of paying for the costs over the amount that was bonded. Discussion was held.

It was the consensus of Council to verify with DPW Superintendent Treat any future projects he had planned and whether or not they could be postponed. They also requested that a representative from ROWE be at the next meeting.

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. Prieh's Paving Co. Invoice

Manager Deem had questions regarding the procedure of Council approving work and payment of bills. It was the consensus of Council they approve both the work and the payment of the bills above \$2,500.

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve Priehs Paving Co. Invoice # 6756 in the amount of \$5,000.

COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT

Councilmember Peltier wished Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Howe well on her recovery.



Councilmember Love informed Council he went to the County auction and the house at 126 E. St. Clair was won back by the previous owners for approximately \$27,500.

Councilmember Tobias asked if there was a means of gathering email addresses for a possible monthly newsletter. Manager Deem will investigate options and return information back to Council.

Councilmember Steffler inquired as to where we were in the Feasibility Study of the AE Building. President Pro-Tem Dyke stated the Committee is to meet on Wednesday, September 17, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Kimberly J. Keesler
Clerk/Treasurer

Tim Dyke
President Pro-Tem

Approved Date: October 7, 2014, as corrected

